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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, it is requested that the following references, which are also listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, be made of record in the above-identified case.

1. Ferman, A. Mufit, et. al., "Group-of-Frames/Pictures Color Histogram Descriptors for Multimedia Applications", ICIP2000, pp. 1-4;
2. Japanese Laid-open Patent Application No. 2000-259832, dated September 22, 2000;

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3. Japanese Laid-open Patent Application No. Hei-7-79206, dated March 20, 1995;
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5. Japanese Laid-open Patent Application No. 2001-101205, dated April 13, 2001;
6. Japanese Laid-open Patent Application No. 2001-359125; dated December 26, 2001;
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8. Japanese Laid-open Patent Application No. 2002-335473; dated November 22, 2002;
9. National Publication of the Translated Version of the PCT Application No. 2002-537591, dated November 5, 2002;
10. Japanese Patent No. 3065314, dated May 12, 2000;
11. European Patent Publication No. EP 1 195 692 A1, dated April 10, 2002;
12. Japanese Laid-open Patent Application No. 6-68163, dated March 11, 1994;
13. U.S. Patent Publication No. US 2002/0169761 A1, dated November 14, 2002;
14. U.S. Patent No. 5,085,746, dated September 8, 1998 (to Miyatake et. al.);
15. Japanese Laid-open Patent Application No. 2002-170116, dated June 14, 2002, together with English language abstract;
16. Japanese Laid-open Patent Application No. 2001-57057, dated February 27, 2001, together with English language abstract;
17. Japanese Laid-open Patent Application No. 2001-167095, dated June 22, 2001, together with English language abstract;
18. Japanese Laid-open Patent Application No. 2001-292425, dated October 19, 2001, together with English language abstract;
19. Japanese Laid-open Patent Application No. 2001-346140, dated December 14, 2001, together with English language abstract;
20. Japanese Laid-open Patent Application No. 2002-184157, dated June 28, 2002, together with English language abstract;
21. Yamada, Akio, "MPEG-7 Visual Tutorial", 2001, pp.1-10, together with English

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22. Japanese Laid-open Patent Application No. 2002-176616, dated June 21, 2002, together with English language abstract.

Applicants are submitting a copy of the above-cited references. The relevance of the references 1-10 have been described in the specification. References 11-14 were cited in an International Search Report dated March 16, 2004 received from the Japanese Office Action. A copy of the Search Report is also enclosed, as well as, copies of all the references.

Inasmuch as this Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted in accordance with the schedule set out in 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), no statement or fee is required.

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